The Secret of the Golden Flower, Richard Wilhelm translation. (Arkana. 1984. £3.50. paper. 160pp)

First published in 1931 and revised in 1962, the *T'ai I Chin Hua Tsung Chih)* is now issued in an new paper-back edition which contains the discussion of the text by Richard Wilhelm who originally translated it from the Chinese into German. Here, the English translation is by Cary F. Baynes. The second half of the book is taken up by Jung's well-know commentary which, in his own words, is a purely psychological study: though excellent on this level it goes no further and has thus rightly been criticised as 'Taoism without the Tao'. Though the Secret of the Golden Flower is an alchemical-yogic treatise, it should not be forgotten that the real alchemy was a discipline of the spirit - 'our gold is not of this world'. The pyschological plane should be but a stage on the way to realisation; the making of the spiritual True Man, in whom the Golden Flower, the Light, the Tao, is born.

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